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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) San Francisco – New ISIL Video Celebrating Orlando Attack, Shows Footage of San Francisco

(U) The Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) posted a new English-language, Arabic subtitled video praising the recent shootings at a nightclub in Orlando, Florida and encouraging similar attacks in San Francisco. The video, released on Sunday, was reportedly timed to coincide with numerous LBGT events being held across the United States. Specific footage of the Golden Gate Bridge, 555 California Street tower images of the Las Vegas Strip at night. The narrator claims to be an American, though no additional information is currently available on the identity of this individual.

SOURCE: 27 June 2016, SF Weekly

(U) San Gabriel – Drones Force Firefighters to Temporarily Halt Air Assault on Wildfire

(U) A wildfire that has burned more than 5,200 acres in the San Gabriel Mountains is now 62 percent contained, and containment lines have been placed to prevent the spread of flames toward more populated areas. Firefighters complained that multiple drone sightings over the weekend forced them to temporarily halt air operations, causing unnecessary and potentially serious delays during a critical period of their efforts. The US Forest Service warned that flight restrictions were in place and that the operators of the drones could face criminal charges if found in violation of the restrictions. SOURCE: 26 June 2016, Los Angeles Times

(U) Menlo Park - Facebook, YouTube Automatically Blocking Extremist Videos

(U) Facebook and YouTube are reportedly automatically taking down videos created by ISIL and other extremist groups. The technology being used by these groups was originally created to help identify and remove copyrighted content and has since been harnessed to find extremist content. As of February, Twitter reportedly had suspended more than 125,000 accounts for threatening or promoting terrorism. Earlier this month, the father of a California woman killed in the November Paris terrorist attacks sued Facebook, Twitter and Google for providing "material support" to extremist because of the sites inability to block all extremist content from their sites.

SOURCE: 27 June 2016, The Mercury News

(U) NATIONAL

(U) Minneapolis - Minnesota Courts Cyberattack Underscores Growing Threat

(U) Washington – A recent attack on the Minnesota Judicial Branch's website underscores the growing threat against state data holdings that officials have repeatedly warned against. State government systems may be vulnerable targets because of the sensitive information, including bank account details, social security numbers and personal addresses, which they retain. Minnesota Governor Mark Dayton requested \$46 million earlier this year to upgrade state government computers and ward off future potential cyber attacks. Due to disagreements over how this money should be spent, state legislators failed to provide the funding request, leaving critical personal data of Minnesota citizens at risk. SOURCE: 25 June 2016, Star Tribune

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(U) Indiana – Local Police, FBI Partner to Fight Terrorism

(U) Indianapolis – Following the recent arrest of a Brownsburg teenager who allegedly was supporting ISIL, local authorities have publicly stated that they will work more closely with the FBI to ensure they are doing everything possible to counteract the threat of terrorism within their communities. Indiana US Attorney Josh Minkler stated that the partnership between the Brownsburg Police Department, the FBI and the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department was paramount in the arrest made and underscored the need for continued team work between these partners.

SOURCE: 27 June 2016, Indystar

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Australia – US Air Force and Border Force Officials Allegedly Involved in Drug Smuggling

(U) Canberra – Two US Air Force members and a number of Australian Border Force officials have allegedly been recruited by international criminal syndicates attempting to smuggle goods and drugs into Australia. The US airmen were allegedly recruited by a Middle Eastern syndicate last year. Individuals have been charged but are awaiting trial.

SOURCE: 26 June 2016, ABC News

(U) England – British Teen Admits to SeaWorld Cyber Attack, Denies Airline Threats

(U) Devon – A 16-year-old British boy has admitted to launching cyber attacks on websites around the world, including Florida's SeaWorld theme park in 2014, though he denies any involvement in bomb hoaxes to US airlines via Twitter. Prosecuting officials claim that the boy sent texts in February 2015 to American Airlines and Delta threating that bombs were located on some of the airlines' aircrafts. These tweets were also tagged to the White House Twitter account.

SOURCE: 28 June 2016, BBC News

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